Public Sector

(i) Singareni Collieries Company Limited,

(ii) Jammu & Kashmir Minerals Limited

(iii) Jharkhand State Mineral Development Corporation Limited

(iv) Damodar Valley Corporation

(v) Indian Iron & Steel Company Limited

Private Sector

(vi) Bengal Emta Coal Mines Limited

(vii) Integrated Coal Mining Ltd.

(viii) Jindal Steel and Power Limited

(ix) Hindalco Limited

(x) Tata Iron & Steel company Limited

(xi) Monnet Ispat Limited

(xii) BLA Industries Limited

(xiii) Castron Mining Limited

(c) The coal reserves in the country as on 01.01.2005 are as follows:—

(in billion tonnes)

Proved reserves	92.96
Indicated reserves	117.08
Inferred reserves	37.80
TOTAL:	247.84

(d) The total production of coal during 2004-05 in the country was 382.615 MT which is about 0.412% of the proved reserves.

Indian soldiers languishing in Pakistani jails

†*133. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Indian soldiers are still languishing in Pakistani jails;

†Original notice of question was received in Hindi

(b) if so, their total number and the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have made any effort to take up the matter of their release with Government of Pakistan; and

(d) if so, the complete details thereof and the details of the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (d) According to estimates, there are about 54 Indian Prisoners of War (POWs) from the 1971 War in Pakistani jails; However, Pakistan has never acknowledged the presence of any Indian POWs in its jails.

The Government has been consistently taking up this issue with the Government of Pakistan at all levels. In pursuance of the efforts to locate Indian POWs, Ministry of External Affairs has taken up the matter with the Pakistan Government for sending a delegation of the families of the missing defence personnel to visit various jails in Pakistan to facilitate identification of Indian PoWs. A similar delegation had visited Pakistan in 1983 but was given limited access and could not locate any Indian POW.

Road network in Orissa

*134. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Orissa State is on the path of industrialisation and the State Government has inked major MoUs for setting up plants;

(b) whether Government are also aware that the industrialisation of a State depends on good road network and most of such projects in the State are dependent on Central funding; and

(c) if so, what is the action plan of Government to help the cash-starved State to speed up their road network to keep pace with their industrialisation?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and